1. (Currently Amended) A method for protecting domain name registrations

with a permanent registration certificate, comprising:

accepting information associated with a domain name registration

obtained from a public domain name registrar on a permanent domain

name registration systems

accepting a one-time permanent registration fee for the domain

name registration on the permanent domain name registration system,

wherein the one time permanent registration fee is used to perpetually pay

all future renewal fees for the domain name registration; and

issuing a permanent registration certificate for the domain name

registration based on the accepted information, wherein the permanent

registration certificate provides a permanent registration of the domain

name registration including perpetually determining, paying and verifying

current and future renewal fees due for the domain name registration at the public domain name registrar from the permanent domain name

registration system

receiving a request on a permanent domain name system server with

one or more processors from a client network device via a computer

network for a permanent registration of an existing domain name

registration, wherein the existing domain name registration includes a

domain name and associated information collected during a domain name

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registration process on a public domain name registrar;

receiving a one-time permanent registration fee payment for the

existing domain name registration on the permanent domain name system
server from the client network device:

creating a permanent registration for the existing domain name registration on the permanent domain name system server, wherein creating the permanent registration includes automatically determining and verifying all current renewal fee payments due for the existing domain name registration at the public domain name registrar and using a first portion of the one-time permanent registration fee payment to pay all current renewal fee payments and automatically determining and verifying all future renewal fee payments due for the existing domain name registration at the public domain name registrar and using a second portion of the one-time permanent registration fee payment to pay all future renewal fee payments;

issuing a permanent registration certificate for the existing domain name registration from the permanent domain name system server using the created permanent registration; and

providing access to the issued permanent registration certificate from the permanent domain name system server to the client network device via the computer network.

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2. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1 further comprising a

 $\underline{\mathbf{A}}$ computer readable medium having stored therein instructions for causing \mathbf{a}

processor one or more processors to execute the steps of the method of Claim 1.

3. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1 further comprising:

creating an electronic permanent registration certificate from the accepted

information created permanent registration; and

storing an electronic permanent registration certificate in one or more

databases associated with the permanent domain name registration system

server, wherein the stored electronic permanent registration certificate can be

viewed via a the computer network.

4. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1 further comprising:

issuing a domain name registration insurance policy with the permanent

registration certificate, wherein the insurance policy covers financial losses

associated with not properly renewing a domain name registration via the

permanent domain name system server.

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5. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1 further comprising: issuing a domain name registration title with the permanent registration certificate, wherein the domain name registration title covers financial losses associated with not properly renewing a domain name registration via the permanent domain name system server.

6. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1 further comprising: issuing a plurality shares in the domain name associated with the permanent registration certificate, wherein, the plurality of shares allow a plurality of ownership interests to be sold in the existing domain name registration associated with the permanent registration certificate.

7. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1 further comprising: issuing leases or sub-leases for the domain name associated with the permanent registration certificate, wherein, the leases or sub-leases allow ownership interests to be reserved for a limited duration in the existing domain name registration associated with the permanent registration certificate.

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8. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1 further comprising:

issuing co-ownership certificates for the domain name associated with the

permanent registration certificate, wherein, co-ownership certificates allow two or

more entities in two or more different locations to co-own and co-use one domain

name registration associated with the permanent registration certificate.

9. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1 wherein the step of issuing

a permanent registration certificate includes issuing $\frac{\mathbf{an\ electronie}\ \mathbf{a}}{\mathbf{a}}$ permanent

registration certificate or in a format other than an electronic permanent

registration certificate.

10. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1 wherein the one-time

permanent registration fee $\underline{\mathbf{payment}}$ is added to a financial instrument $\underline{\mathbf{whose}}$

wherein the second portion of the one-time permanent registration fee

payment includes profits or interest from the financial instrument and is used

to $\frac{\mathbf{perpetually}}{\mathbf{pay}}$ pay $\underline{\mathbf{all}}$ future renewal $\underline{\mathbf{fees}}$ $\underline{\mathbf{fee}}$ $\underline{\mathbf{payments}}$ for the $\underline{\mathbf{existing}}$ domain

name registration via the permanent domain name system server.

11. (Original) The method of Claim 10 wherein the financial instrument

includes an interest bearing account, a certificate of deposit, mutual funds, stocks,

bonds or annuities

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12. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1 wherein the step of

accepting a one-time permanent registration fee $\underline{\mathbf{payment}}$ includes accepting a one-

time permanent registration fee payment electronically over the Internet.

13. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1 wherein the step of

accepting a one-time permanent registration fee payment includes accepting a one-

time permanent registration fee payment other than electronically over the

Internet

14. (Currently Amended) A method for providing permanent registration of

domain names, comprising:

(a) generating a list of existing domain name registrations from one or more

databases associated with a permanent domain name registration system server

with one or more processors for which renewal-fees fee payments on a public

domain name registrar must be paid,

wherein the generated list of existing domain name registrations includes a

plurality of domain name registrations for which a plurality of permanent

registration eertificate has certificates have been purchased,

wherein the a permanent registration certificate provides a permanent

registration of the an existing domain name registration including perpetually

automatically determining, paying and verifying all current and future renewal

fees fee payments for the existing domain name registration at the public domain

name registrar from the permanent domain name registration system server, and

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 $(b) \ paying \ \underline{automatically} \ all \ renewals \ \underline{fees} \ \underline{fee} \ \underline{payments} \ electronically \ on$ the public domain name registrar for the list of generated domain name

registrations from the permanent domain name system server;

(c) querying the public domain register from the permanent domain name system server to determine whether all of the existing domain name registrations

from the generated list of domain name registrations have been renewed on the

public domain name registrar, and if not,

(d) transferring additional renewal fees fee payments for any

domain name registrations from the generated first list of domain name $\,$

registrations that have not been renewed on the public domain name

registrar, thereby ensuring renewal of domain name registrations, and

(e) notifying administrators at the permanent domain name

 ${\bf registration} \ {\bf system} \ {\bf \underline{server}} \ {\bf and} \ {\bf the} \ {\bf public} \ {\bf domain} \ {\bf name} \ {\bf registrar} \ {\bf of} \ {\bf any}$

renewal fee payment discrepancies; and

(f) repeating steps (a)-(c) periodically.

15. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 14 further comprising a A

computer readable medium having stored therein instructions for causing $\boldsymbol{\alpha}$

 $\underline{\text{processor}}\ \underline{\text{one or more processors}}\ \text{to execute the steps of the method}\ \underline{\text{of Claim 14}}.$

16. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 14 wherein the step of

generating a list of $\underbrace{\mathbf{existing}}$ domain name registrations includes generating a list of

 $\underline{\mathbf{existing}} \ \mathbf{domain} \ \mathbf{name} \ \mathbf{registrations} \ \underline{\mathbf{for}} \ \mathbf{a} \ \mathbf{pre\text{-}determined} \ \mathbf{time} \ \mathbf{period} \ \mathbf{before}$

renewal fees-fee payments on a public domain name registrar must be paid.

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17. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 14 further comprising:

periodically comparing renewal dates for the plurality of <u>existing</u> domain name registrations on the permanent domain name <u>registration</u> system <u>server</u>

with the renewal dates on the public domain name registrar; and

notifying administrators at the permanent domain name $\frac{\text{registration}}{\text{system } \frac{\text{server}}{\text{and}}}$ and the public domain name registrar of any renewal date

discrepancies.

18. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 14 further comprising:

periodically comparing renewal dates for the plurality of **existing** domain name registrations on the permanent domain name **registration** system **server**

with the renewal dates on the public domain name registrar;

determining from the permanent domain name $\frac{\text{registration}}{\text{constant}}$ system $\frac{\text{server}}{\text{constant}}$

whether any renewal fees are due for any domain name registrations for which the $\,$

public domain name registrar does not show a renewal fee is due, and if so,

transferring additional renewal fees fee payments for any

such domain name registrations, and

notifying administrators at the permanent domain name

registration system server and the public domain name registrar of

any renewal date discrepancies.

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 (<u>Currently Amended</u>) A method for providing a permanent web-site, comprising:

accepting a domain name for which a permanent registration certificate has been issued via a permanent domain name system server with one or more processors, wherein the permanent registration certificate provides a permanent registration of the domain name including automatically perpetually determining, paying and verifying current and future renewal fees for the domain name at a public domain name registrar from a the permanent domain name registration system server;

accepting electronic content for a permanent web-site to be associated with the domain name on the permanent domain name system server:

accepting a one-time permanent web-site fee <u>payment</u> for hosting the domain name on the permanent domain name <u>registration</u> system <u>server</u>, wherein the one-time permanent web-site fee is used to <u>permanently perpetually</u> host the domain name on the permanent domain name <u>registration</u> system <u>server</u>; and

perpetually hosting a permanent web-site accessible via the Internet for the domain name for which a permanent registration certificate has been issued by determining and verifying all current and future renewal fees due for the an existing domain name registration for the domain name at the public domain name registrar from the permanent domain name registration system server and paying all current and future renewal fees due at the public domain registrar from the permanent domain name system server with a portion of a one-time permanent registration fee received during creation of the permanent registration certificate for the domain name registration and

paying all current and future web-site hosting fees with a portion of the

received one-time permanent web-site fee payment.

20. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 19 further comprising

A computer readable medium having stored therein instructions for causing a

processor one or more processors to execute the steps of the method of Claim 19.

21. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 19 wherein a portion of

the one-time permanent web-site fee payment is added to a financial instrument

whose wherein a portion of profits or interest generated by the financial

 $\underline{instrument}$ is used to $\underline{perpetually}$ pay administrative costs to host a web-site for

the domain name accessible via the Internet on the permanent domain name

system <u>server</u>.

22. (Original) The method of Claim 21 wherein the financial instrument

includes an interest bearing account, a certificate of deposit, mutual funds, stocks,

bonds or annuities.

23. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 19 wherein the step of

perpetually hosting a permanent web-site includes-perpetually hosting the web-

site on multiple the permanent domain name registration system servers.

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24. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 19 wherein the step of perpetually hosting a <u>permanent</u> web-site includes-perpetually hosting the web-site on a host other than the permanent domain name <u>registration</u> system <u>server</u>.

25. (Currently Amended) A method of providing co-use of a permanent registration of a domain name, comprising:

hosting a permanent domain name on a network server with one or more processors, wherein the permanent domain name is a domain name for which a permanent registration certificate has been issued via a permanent domain name system server, wherein the permanent registration certificate provides a permanent registration of the domain name registration including perpetually determining, paying and verifying all current and future renewal fees due for the domain name registration at a public domain name registrar from a permanent domain name registration system server with a portion of a one-time permanent registration fee payment received during creation of the permanent registration certificate, wherein the domain name was previously registered at the public domain name registrar and wherein creation of the permanent registration certificate included payment of the one-time permanent registration fee for the domain name on the permanent domain name system server, and wherein the permanent domain name is co-used by a plurality of co-users, and wherein different electronic content is provided to different ones of the plurality of co-users using the permanent domain name by the network server:

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accepting-receiving a request for electronic content on the network server

for one of the plurality of co-users using the permanent domain name;

determining which one of the plurality of co-users the request is for using

information included in headers used with a protocol used to request the electronic

content via the permanent domain name; and

directing the request to the determined co-user with electronic content

specifically stored on the network server for the determined co-user of the

permanent domain name thereby allowing the plurality of co-users to

share one permanent domain name and return only electronic content

specifically stored on the network server for a determined co-user.

26. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 25 further comprising a

 $\underline{\mathbf{A}}$ computer readable medium having stored therein instructions for causing \mathbf{a}

processor one or more processors to execute the steps of the method of Claim 25.

27. (Original) The method of Claim 25 wherein the plurality of co-users are

co-owners of the permanent domain name.

 $28. \,$ (Original) The method of Claim 25 wherein the plurality of co-users are

leasing or sub-leasing the permanent domain name.

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29. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 25 wherein the step

determining which one of the plurality of co-users the request is for using

information included in headers used with a protocol used to request the electronic

content includes determining which one of the plurality of co-users the request is for

using an Internet Protocol address included in a header used with a protocol used to $\,$

request the electronic content via the permanent domain name.

30. (Currently Amended) A permanent domain name registration system,

comprising in combination:

a first server with one or more processors and a database accessible

via the Internet for creating a permanent registration and issuing a

permanent registration certificate for providing permanent registration of a

existing domain name registration, wherein the permanent registration

certificate provides a permanent registration of a the existing domain name

registration including perpetually determining, paying and verifying current and

future renewal fees for the domain name registration at a public domain name

registrar; and

a plurality of <u>other</u> servers <u>each with one or more processors</u> associated

with a plurality of databases accessible via the Internet for determining, paying

and verifying all current and future renewal fees for the domain name

registration at a public domain name registrar thereby providing

permanent registration of the existing domain name registration at the

public domain name registrar accepting information associated with a

domain name registration obtained at the public domain name registrar,

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accepting a one-time permanent registration fee for the permanent

registration certificate and for issuing the permanent registration

certificate

31. (Currently Amended) The system of Claim 30 wherein the first

server with associated database and the plurality of servers associated with a

plurality of databases include a Purchase/Payment server and associated database.

an administrative server and associated database and a permanent web-site server

and associated database.

32. (Currently Amended) A permanent domain name registration

system, comprising in combination:

a first server with one or more processors and associated database

accessible via the Internet for creating a permanent registration and

issuing a permanent registration certificate for providing permanent registration of

a an existing domain name registration, wherein the permanent registration

certificate provides a permanent registration of a domain name including

perpetually determining, paying and verifying all current and future renewal fees

for the domain name at a public domain name registrar, and wherein the existing

domain name registration was previously registered on the public domain

name registrar:

a permanent web-site for perpetually permanently hosting a web-site

associated with the existing domain name registration from an issued permanent

registration certificate, wherein the web-site is accessible via the Internet: and

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a plurality of other servers each with one or more processors associated with a plurality of databases accessible via the Internet for issuing a permanent registration certificate for a domain name registration, perpetually for hosting a permanent web-site associated with the existing domain name registration from an issued permanent registration certificate, wherein the permanent web-site is accessible via the Internet, accepting a one-time permanent registration fee for the permanent registration certificate and for accepting receiving a one-time permanent web-site fee for perpetually hosting a the permanent web-site associated with the domain name registration from an the issued permanent registration certificate, for paying all current and future renewal fee payments due at the public domain registrar with a portion of a one-time permanent registration fee received during creation of the permanent registration certificate for the existing domain name registration and for paying all current and future web-site hosting fee payments with a portion of the received one-time permanent web-site fee payment.

33. (Currently Amended) The system of Claim 32 wherein the first server with associated database and the plurality of servers associated with a plurality of databases include a Purchase/Payment server and associated database, an administrative server and associated database and a permanent web-site server and associated database

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